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### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the abstract to the following:

A niobium capacitor ~~comprising~~ having an anode (1) with niobium as its main component, and a dielectric layer (4) formed on the anode. The anode (1) and the dielectric layer (4) are in close contact with each other with an interface therebetween. A junction region is defined as the region including the interface. The junction region contains a specific amount of manganese.